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Dear General Marshall:

Thank you for your letter of 1h December, 1950, concerning the National Intelligence Surveys. I am pleased to learn that steps will be taken to substantially increase the number of personnel devoted to this activity in the military intelligence services. I recognize that it is preferable to integrate these individuals with the present intelligence staffs. The importance of maintaining the production of these services on a regular basis I believe cannot be overstressed.

Faithfully,

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WALTER B. SMITH

General George C. Marshell. The Secretary of Defense washington, D.C.

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